

# COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

## DEPARTMENT OF PUBLIC WORKS

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BOARD OF SUPERVISORS COUNTY OF LOS ANGELES

25 February 1, 2011

SACHI A. HAMAI EXECUTIVE OFFICER

Dear Supervisors:

TERMINATE A CONTRACT FOR CONVENIENCE
RECONSTRUCTION AND RESURFACING OF ROADWAY PAVEMENT AND
INSTALLATION OF A TRAFFIC SIGNAL
STEVENSON RANCH PARKWAY
IN THE UNINCORPORATED COMMUNITY OF STEVENSON RANCH
(SUPERVISORIAL DISTRICT 5)
(3 VOTES)

## **SUBJECT**

This action is to terminate a contract for convenience on Stevenson Ranch Parkway for the reconstruction and resurfacing of roadway pavement and installation of a traffic signal in the unincorporated community of Stevenson Ranch.

#### IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT YOUR BOARD:

Terminate the contract for convenience with D.P. Mangan dba Pave West for Project ID No. RDC0014257 – Stevenson Ranch Parkway for the reconstruction and resurfacing of roadway pavement and installation of a traffic signal on Stevenson Ranch Parkway in the unincorporated community of Stevenson Ranch.

## PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF RECOMMENDED ACTION

On June 29, 2010, Agenda Item 53, your Board awarded a contract in the amount of \$683,537.67 to D.P. Mangan dba (Pave West) for the reconstruction and resurfacing of roadway pavement and installation of a traffic signal on Stevenson Ranch Parkway and authorized the Director of Public Works or her designee to execute a contract. On August 2, 2010, the contract was executed.

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On November 22, 2010, Pave West informed the Department of Public Works (Public Works) it was unable to perform the work under the contract due to its financial situation and requested its termination. Pave West agreed to terminate the contract at no cost to the County of Los Angeles (County).

A field review of Stevenson Ranch Parkway reveals that portions of the pavement have deteriorated since the project plans were prepared, requiring additional costly repairs not contemplated in this project's plans and specifications. Since no work had begun under the contract, Public Works prefers to re-evaluate the existing road conditions and make necessary changes to the project plans.

We believe terminating the contract at this time is in the interest of both Pave West and the County. At a future date we will request the approval of your Board to readvertise the revised project plans.

## **Implementation of Strategic Plan Goals**

The Countywide Strategic Plan directs the provisions of Operational Effectiveness (Goal 1) and Community and Municipal Services (Goal 3). The recommended action will allow Public Works to readvertise the project at a later date in order to provide improved roadway facilities for the traveling public, which will benefit the community.

## **FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING**

There will be no impact to the County General Fund.

The costs for terminating the project and readvertising at a later date will be minimal.

### FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS

The contract documents provide for the termination for convenience of the contract by your Board if such action is in the best interest of the County.

#### **ENVIRONMENTAL DOCUMENTATION**

On April 6, 2010, Agenda Item 26, your Board found this project categorically exempt from the provisions of the California Environmental Quality Act.

## **IMPACT ON CURRENT SERVICES (OR PROJECTS)**

Delaying the project will not impact Public Works' ability to maintain and ensure adequate roadway facilities for the travelling public.

### CONCLUSION

Please return one adopted copy of this letter to the Department of Public Works, Construction Division.

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Respectfully submitted,

**GAIL FARBER** 

Director

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